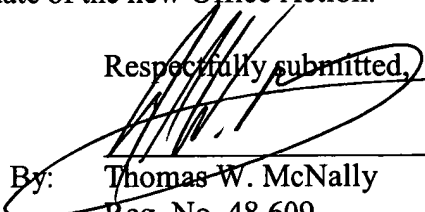


### REMARKS

In a telephonic interview with the Examiner on May 4, 2004, Examiner indicated that the Restriction Requirement mailed on April 20, 2004, is withdrawn due to the fact that the Restriction Requirement mirrors the Restriction Requirement (Paper No. 5), dated July 29, 2002, that the Applicant had properly responded to on August 29, 2002. In addition, Examiner indicated a new Office Action would be issued to replace the Restriction Requirement mailed on April 20, 2004, and that the statutory period for replying to the new Office Action will be determined based upon the mailing date of the new Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

By:   
Thomas W. McNally  
Reg. No. 48,609  
Attorney for Applicants

F.Chau & Associates, LLC  
1900 Hempstead Turnpike, Suite 501  
East Meadow, New York 11554  
Telephone: (516) 357-0091  
Facsimile: (516) 357-0092